

# Registered Apprenticeship **FACT SHEET**

## What is Apprenticeship?

- Program where you earn wages while learning a skilled profession in a specific field.
- Combines classroom studies with on-the-job training supervised by a skilled professional.
- Apprentices must be at least 16 years of age and complete 1-6 years of paid/supervised work-based training & technical instruction.

## Fun Facts

- There are currently over 1000 apprentice occupations with new ones added all the time.
- Certified skilled workers have more earning potential than unskilled workers.
- Apprenticeship graduates usually advance more rapidly than other workers.
- You may obtain credit from participating community colleges toward an Associate Degree.

### STUDENTS Get Paid While You Learn



Apprentices are immersed in both classroom learning and on the job training from a professional in their chosen field. Apprentices are paid for the time spent learning a trade. As an apprentice students may also be able to partner with a community college to have the opportunity to earn an Associates degree.

### EMPLOYERS Build Your Workforce



On-the-job training combined with classroom instruction provides employees who are fully trained. Training apprentices in your business creates skilled and experienced employees. Apprentices average better attendance, possess the latest technological skills, and fill critical needs.

### VETERANS Soldier to Apprentice



Eligible individuals under the GI Bill may choose to become an apprentice. The State's approval is necessary before veterans and other eligible persons can receive their GI Bill benefits. Work experience in the occupation can be counted toward the credits required for skilled worker status.

- **Helmets to Hardhats**  
Connects transitioning active-duty and reserve members with training and employment opportunities in construction.



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